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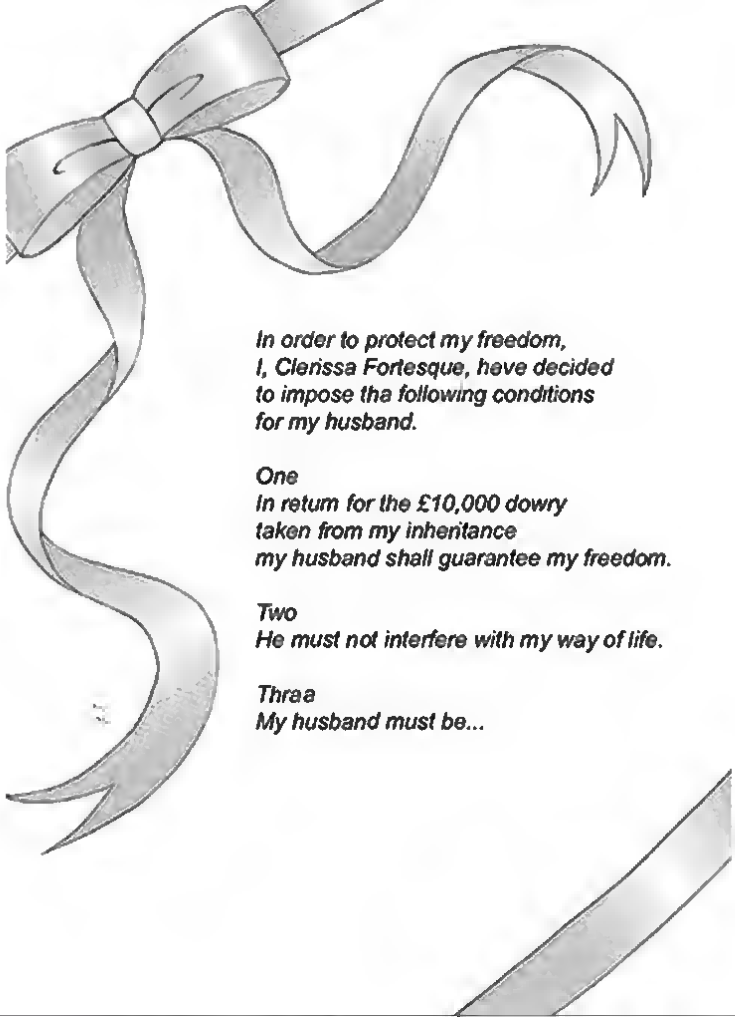

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I, Clerissa Fortesque, heve decided
to impose tha following conditions
for my husband.

One
In retum for the £10,000 dowry
taken from my inheritance
my husband shall guarantee my freedom.

Two
He must not interfere with my way of life.

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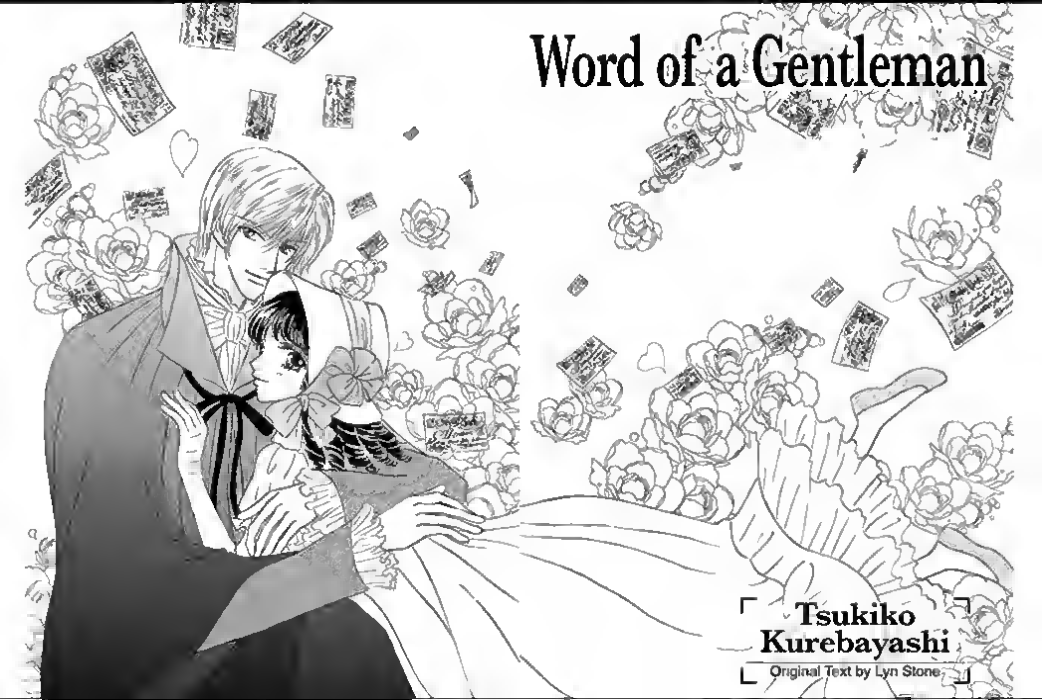
My husband must be...


Word of a Gentleman
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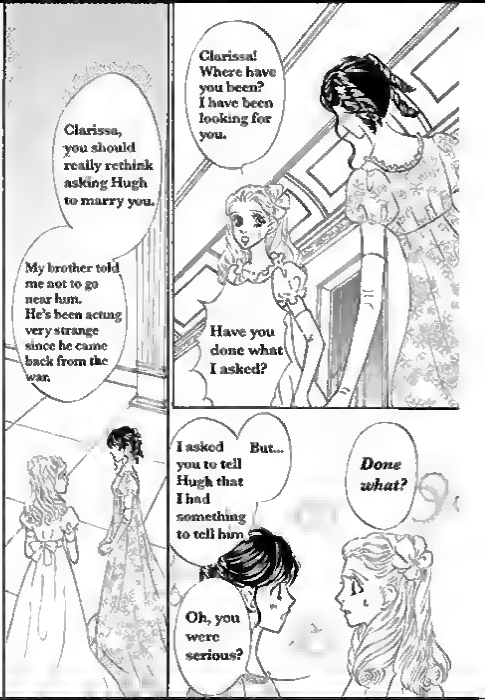
I will never do as you say!
No matter how much you contest, you have no choice but to marry me.
So I suggest you try not to incur my displeasure.
SLAM
You really don't know when to give up. Just do as you are told, my dear.

SLAM!
Clarissa!
Stop, Clarissa!
Phyllis!
Understand?
No!
SLAP!
Other than I, who would marry you - a girl brought up in a boarding school, so naive to the ways of the world.
Think about it.
If Uncle and I turn our backs on you, you will be all alone.
...

That's exactly why.
His brother, the Earl of Heartcastle, spent all of his father's inheritance on investments and odd inventions.
He's bet on every race and game he could get his hands on. He has lost all of his money.
They're both in dire trouble.
What?
Just please tell him before this party ends.
Clarissa ...
That's why he would be the perfect husband for me.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My brother told me not to go near him. He's been acting very strange since he came back from the war.
Clarissa! Where have you been? I have been looking for you.
Have you done what I asked?
I asked you to tell Hugh that I had something to tell him
But...
Done what?
Oh, you were serious?

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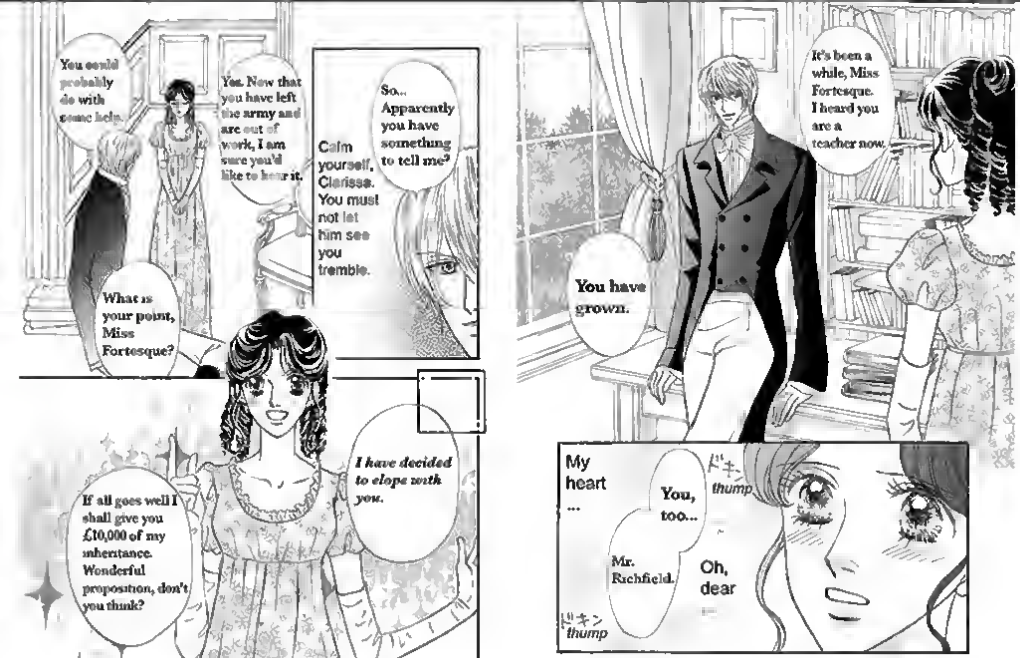
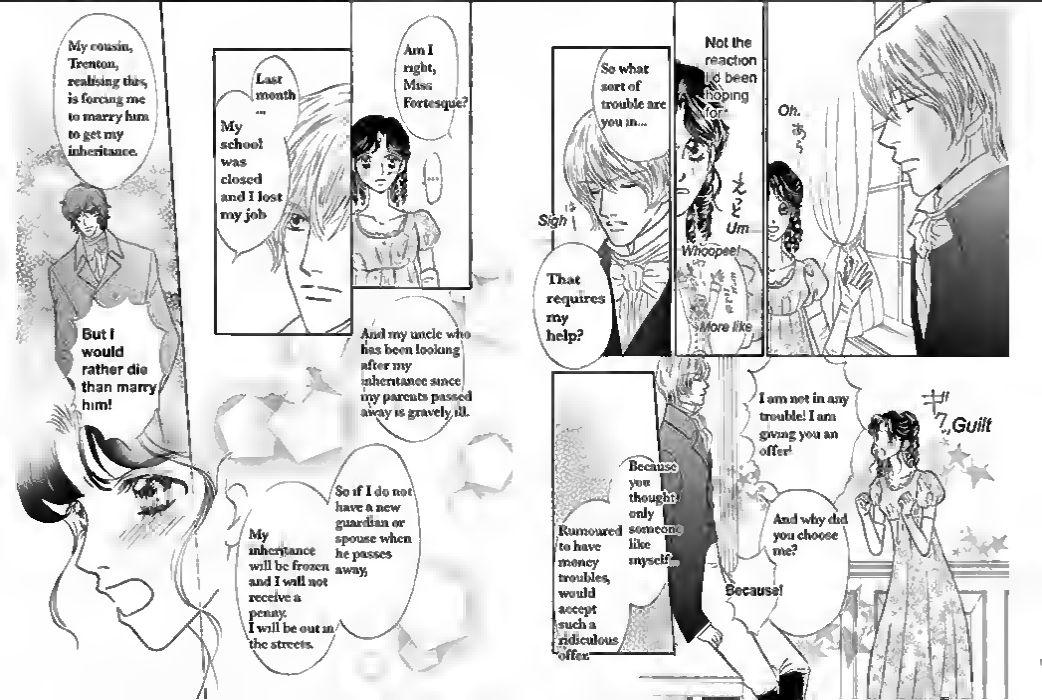
Hugh
...
There he is!

Tap
Tap
Tap
"Come outside"?
Slam
Creak
Please, Phyllis. Tell him...
Thump
He looked this way!


You could probably do with some help.
Yes. Now that you have left the army and are out of work, I am sure you'd like to hear it.
Calm yourself, Clarissa. You must not let him see you tremble.
So... Apparently you have something to tell me?
What is your point, Miss Fortesque?
I have decided to elope with you.
If all goes well I shall give you £10,000 of my inheritance. Wonderful proposition, don't you think?
It's been a while, Miss Fortesque. I heard you are a teacher now.
You have grown.
My heart ...
You, too...
Mr. Richfield.
Oh, dear
ドキン thump
ドキン thump


My cousin, Trenton, realising this, is forcing me to marry him to get my inheritance.
But I would rather die than marry him!
Last month ...
My school was closed and I lost my job
Am I right, Miss Fortesque?
...
And my uncle who has been looking after my inheritance since my parents passed away is gravely ill.
My inheritance will be frozen and I will not receive a penny. I will be out in the streets.
So if I do not have a new guardian or spouse when he passes away,
So what sort of trouble are you in...
Sigh
That requires my help?
Not the reaction I'd been hoping for.
えと Um...
Whoopee!
More like
Oh.
Rumoured to have money troubles, would accept such a ridiculous offer.
Because you thought only someone like myself...
I am not in any trouble! I am giving you an offer!
And why did you choose me?
Because!
#!
?, Guilt

Even if I were to marry you to protect your inheritance,
I will expect you to satisfy me as a wife would a husband. Do you know what this means?
Really?
Clarissa...
O...
Of course I do! Don't think me a fool!
Did he force himself ...!?
No!! He nearly did but...
Oh...
Forcing you to marry? How...?
"Not yet"?
Yes! That's why I must act quickly!
He "nearly did"? Oh, Clarissa...
But he didn't! Not yet!

Hugh..
Mmm
quiver
Hu ..
Then kiss me.
What?
What, here? Now!?
You don't have to if you don't want to.
Yes Of course.
Do you swear it?

Clarissa
Re...
Really!?
Yes.
Oh
I got
lost in
the
moment.
How
embarrassing
I will
marry you.
Mmm

I mustn't act too friendly I have the power, after all!
Thank you, Hugh!
Oh... Um...
Conditions?
Well, anyway, I'll let you know the conditions.
In return for the £10,000 you'll guarantee my freedom and will not interfere with my way of life.
All right?
Yes, all right but...
Can I ask you something?
That was easy!
If I say no, you'll have to find some other good-for-nothing man to marry.
If so, I am probably your best bet.
As I have known you since you were young.
Hugh -

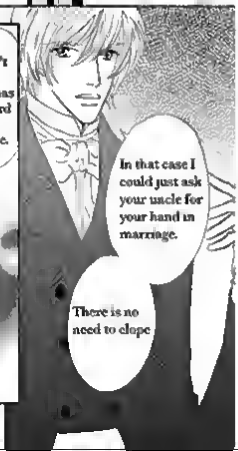
I heard that if you go to Gretna Green in Scotland you can be married just by declaring it in church.
....Are you suggesting we go all the way there?

You're exactly right, Mr. Hugh Richfield.
Hmm... I should have said OK after I heard your plan.
So, when are we going?

In England it takes 3 weeks for marriage registrations to be approved.
That will take too long.
That's why we must elope.

No. My uncle has no interest in me.
Until I went to see him in hospital the other day, I hadn't seen him since he threw me into boarding school.
Did your uncle want you to marry Trenton?

That won't work. Trenton has left a guard to watch over Uncle.
If we try to visit him, Trenton will do everything possible to stop the marriage.
We need to register our marriage before this happens.


In that case I could just ask your uncle for your hand in marriage.
There is no need to elope

Hugh, there you are! Hmm? What are you two doing together!
You just have to do as you are told.
Remember, this was my plan, my money.
Hi, Harry.
Why, yes.
Right, Clarissa?
We were just talking about old times.
I didn't realize you two had gotten friendly.
Smile, Clarissa, smile.
I just told you not to order me around!
I will have the carriage ready by 2 a.m.
You must stay at the party until the end so no one will get suspicious.
I know, Hugh. Don't order me around.
I'm not ordering, I am confirming.
Tonight, of course!
Tonight

That's right.
Hugh is a legend.
They say he hit back 100 times what the enemy forces dealt him.
Apparently he was like Lucifer mounted on his black steed.
Hugh ...
What they said...
It's not true.
We were just about to take a walk in the gardens. Come with us.
Great.
Injured?
Is it serious?
You'll have to cheer Hugh up, Clarissa.
He was injured at Waterloo.
You don't have to listen to Harry.

Clarissa! How many times do I have to tell you?
It must have been hard. Does your injury still hurt?
But you don't look very well...
Leave me alone!
Hugh?
The men who were with me are all...
Of course not...
Didn't you fight alongside Harry?
It's all in the past. Please stop talking about it.
They were just telling me how well you fought.
Wait Hugh.
Leave it, why don't you!?

Phyllis said that?
Phyllis told me.
You told her she shouldn't go near him.
But my sister shouldn't have said that to you.
Did you know?
That he was in love with you before he went to war?
I did say it...
The way he gambles... It's like he has lost it.

Clarissa.
Harry.
I never thought about why Hugh quit the army...
I really don't know much about him
You suddenly disappeared. Where's Hugh?
...He said he felt unwell.
He's changed since he came back from the war.
I was actually relieved to see Hugh with you.
I see...
Clarissa.

Harry must have said that to stop Phyllis going near Hugh!!
But... I never thought he would ever even look at me..
Hugh of course.
You always stayed away from the crowds.
You had a mysterious aura about you.
He...?
That can't be true. .
But Hugh, was never interested in women who came to him.
On his days off he was surrounded by women.
It was I who could not keep my eyes off of him.
Can't be! Hugh, he.
Hugh.
Hugh, I love you.
Hugh! I have to tell him!
Because just before he went to war,

Hugh cannot have loved me.

I cannot imagine..
Eloping with anyone other than you!
He agreed and I ruined it!
Oh, Hugh.
What I said earlier must have changed his mind.
He won't be coming now.
Leave me alone!!
Hugh, please.
Oh, no I am so stupid!
Clank

Clarissa, get on before we get caught!!
Wait!
Hurry!
You've got a lot here. Are you fleeing or something?
Master! Someone is coming!
Hush! Ladies need a lot of things!
I'm sorry, Clarissa!! You must have waited on long.
It took me ages to get a carriage ready.
Click
Hugh ...
Sigh
Thump
Umph
Eek!
I'm not luggage, you know!
Give me your luggage.
I'm not a gentleman but I kept my word.
Gentlemen should be on time!!

Fine!
But just because you kissed me once don't think you can touch me!
I told you, my little kitten.

That would also be slightly disappointing
Is that because you find me unattractive?
Don't worry. I won't.

Thump
What? You're squishing me!

Well ...
Of course I'm all right with that.
Swish
We're going to be riding at top speed.
If you're all right with that, feel free to sit opposite.
If we don't sit together like this you'll go flying through the carriage.

Aahhh!
Bang

We'll need someone to be our peacemaker.
I don't think I can live with you even after we marry.
Hahaha. I'm only joking, little tiger.. I mean, kitten.
I know. Why don't we move into your brother's mansion?
No!
It's a large estate and too big for your unmarried brother.
No! Never!
Don't be so stubborn.
Clack
Clack
Our estate is a pile of rubble now!
Oh, I don't mind if he's odd.
Why?
You say this because you don't know how strange my brother is!
Well, at least I should introduce myself

Why don't you try get some sleep. It is very late.
Hugh . .
You are very beautiful
How can I sleep after you say that to me!
Good girl.
There, there Beddy-bye time for little Clarissa

Here's the hotel
I have never been here before. Do you know this place well?
Friends?
This town is new to me but I had some friends living in a town nearby.

Already?
We're here, Clarissa. You can get out.
It's a rest stop.
Clack

Let's eat something first. I will go get our rooms.
Yes. Friends who fought with me in the war.

This is Trelawny. It's a safe place.
Where are we?
We'll spend the night here. The horses and coachmen need to rest.

Clarissa, they only have one room left tonight.
Of course not.
You're not suggesting we sleep together!
Do you want the king-size or single bed?
Oh!
You don't have a single penny
At this point in time...
King size, of course. I am paying, after all.
Clarissa, you know...
How much is the carriage, food and hotel?
You're right! Oh, I forgot...
Everything including any scones you might snack on the way
Hmph
Don't worry about it. You're not rich yet.
How annoying
I'll pay for it all for now.
But...
Money for scones? Gosh, he's so effeminate sometimes!
Grr
Is that Hugh Richfield?
How pathetic!!
That's why he's still moaning about his injury!!

That's right. My brother and the others ended up dying all because they were friends with you.
All your officers are dead but you, the captain is alive and well, it seems.
No.
Do you know who I am?
My brother died in the war. With Elmore's son and other young men...
They all went to war on your advice.
Tasker Oldham ... William's brother.
That piece of paper?
...I am very sorry about William.
And my answer is...
I read it.
Did you read the letter I wrote to the family?

Clarissa...
You don't know anything.
Wait
He fought with your brother.
He has suffered. The wound in his heart has not yet healed
Lady, move! This has nothing to do with you!
He is the same as your brother, Mr. Oldham.
Stop!!
This.
Click
Clarissa!!

Don't look so sad, Mr. Oldham.
You are angry at yourself, aren't you?
For not being able to protect your brother?
You loved your brother.
But he wouldn't want you to blame anyone.
Right?
Snatch
Grr
Slam
I know that.
Stomp Stomp
Move!!
He wasn't going to shoot.
Why did you do something so dangerous?
Clarissa!!

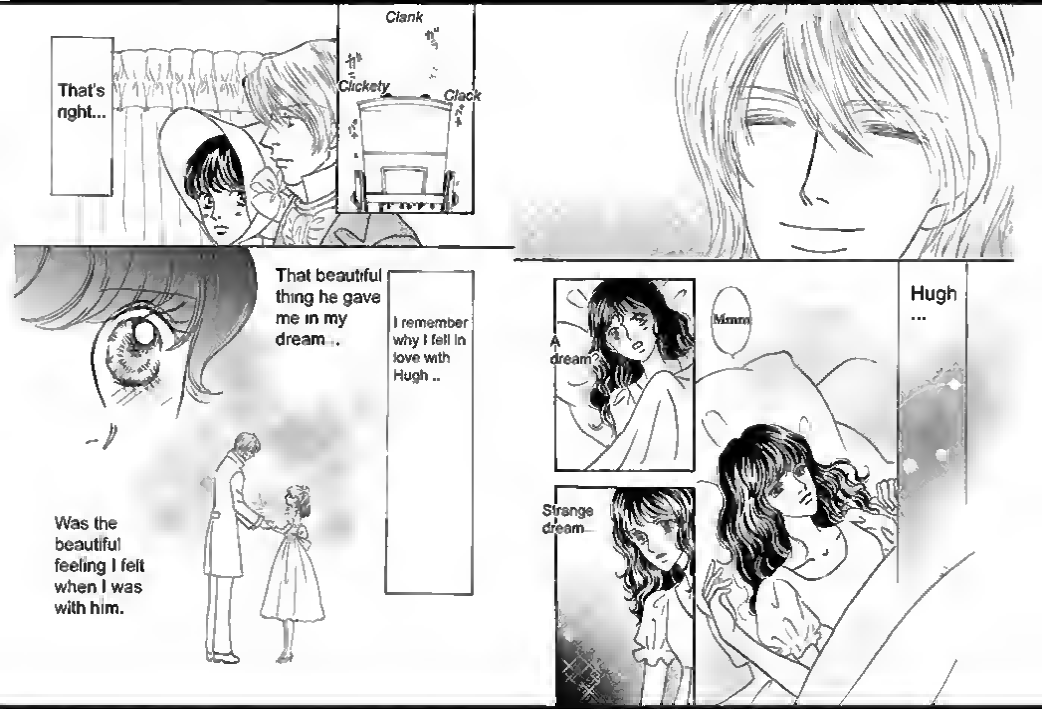
...I misunderstood you.
I thought you were only concerned about your own feelings.
Hugh
Are you awake?
Yes.

And I... I'm sorry...
But... the wound in your heart... is so much deeper than I could ever imagine...

Well, it's pretty impressive standing facing the end of a gun barrel.
Not really. My legs are shaking.
If he tried to shoot you, he would have lost his own life.
He knew that.

Let's go.
You need some rest.

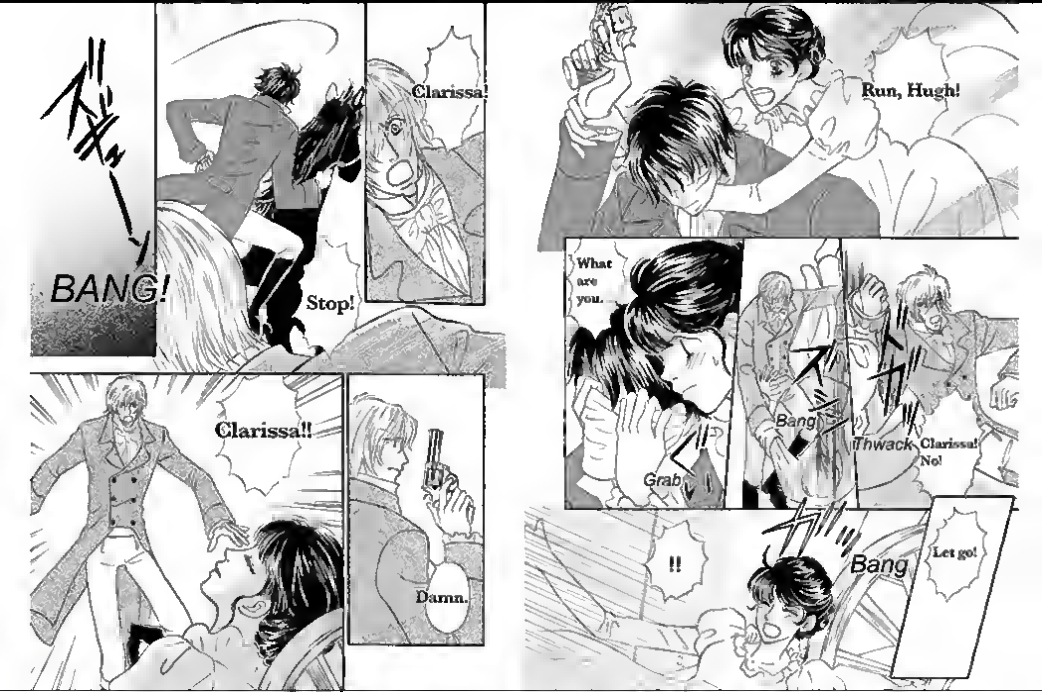
Thank you.
I was grateful..
That you tried to protect me.
I, too...
Haven't thanked you for earlier.
Hugh
...
Give me your hand.
You can have it.
How pretty...


That's right...
Clank
Clickety
Clack
That beautiful thing he gave me in my dream ..
I remember why I fell in love with Hugh ..
Was the beautiful feeling I felt when I was with him.
A dream?
Mmm
Hugh ...
Strange dream

Bang
Clank
It stopped.
!!
What was that?
Click
Get out.
Is something the matter, Clarissa?
Oh, no, nothing.
That's right! My heart was always beaming
Huh...
As it is now...
hee hee

BAM
ドキン
Thud
Thuda
ドキン
Thud
ドキン
Hugh can't even make a move ...
ドキン
But if I jump on the bandit from here...

Oh, God, please... Don't let anything happen to Hugh ..
Shh!
Don't get out. I will pretend I am on my own.
Hugh ...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BANG!
Stop!
Clarissa!
Clarissa!!
Damn.
Run, Hugh!
What are you.
Grab
Bang
Thwack
Clarissa! No!
!!
Bang
Let go!

Clanssa
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If something happened to you... I...
I'm sorry...
The only doctor in the village is delivering a baby.
As soon as he gets back...
Oh, dear. All right, please do that.
Rumble Rumble
Find the nearest inn" Quickly!!
Yes, sir.
Is everyone all right?
I need a room!!
I have an injured lady. Please call a doctor!!

Just as everything went black I saw your worried face.
Yes. I'm fine. I just fainted.
Are you all right?
キィ
Click
Hugh...
Clarissa!
Hugh..
Promise me...
That you'll never do something like that again!!

Your passion ...
I feel it.
Hugh...
I...
...
For the first time
Clarissa... I thought my heart would burst with my feelings for you.
Hugh ...

.....
Zzz
...
Ohhhh
...
Hugh
...
Ur
...
Ah
...
!!

What's the matter?
Hugh?
Hugh?
Clarissa.

Whatever I ask he goes quiet
What can I do?
It's like he's a different person
Please...
Don't love me.
I can't give you the £10,000 but I will repay as much as I can.
Thank you for taking me this far.
I was not... suitable for you, I guess...
No!
ピカン!
Hugh
clickedy clank

...
What are you talking about?
You're being silly.
I confirmed that yesterday.
I love you.
Clarissa, I...
But I don't have the right to love you.
Hugh...
If you hadn't come, I would have given up.
You agreed to my sudden and impossible plan without a word of complaint.
You came with me this far.

Hugh ...
Let me share your worries.
Don't suffer alone.
I...can't.
Why, Hugh?
Why do you torture yourself?
Clarissa ...
You're wonderful !!
Hugh, you are wonderful.

From the war...
In reality, I should have died along with my men... No...
...When I realized that I loved you...
I also remembered all the feelings I wanted to forget.
The crippling pain I tried to lock away.
Sigh
Love you.
Please let me help you.
I can't...
Hugh, I...
Please...

Elton
Williams
Terrance
John

It's Captain Ruchfield.
Dear God.
I should have died instead.
Look. Someone's under the horse
How long has he been here?
Still breathing.

I'm sorry..
I opened up the wound in your heart.
But... I needed you.
For the pain I've caused.
That's not true, Clarissa.
Aaahh...
Ah...
They cannot laugh, cry or love anymore.
My men who gave me their all.
The French soldiers I took down.
But I am alive.
And I love you.

The carriage is slowing down.
We've arrived. This is Gretna Green.
I was the one who needed you.
You found me.
I've decided to elope with you.
I realized then.

You took your time.
Hugh...
Let's go, Clarissa.
I'm all right now.
This is our most joyous day.

Then I have the right to punish...
A bandit who attacked me on the road.
Hugh?
You kidnapped my cousin.
You cannot have any qualms about being shot by me.
Oh.
I don't know what you're talking about.
Trenton!!

Hugh!!
Click
Clarissa! Move!
BANG
Why?
That's right. He was going to kill me and take you back as if he knew nothing.
Right?
He followed you and eaves-dropped on us.
No reason.
You should have planned your elopement in a more private place.
Rickfield.

Leave before I change my mind.
I'd rather not kill anyone.
Since today will be our anniversary...
You're lucky.
Ah...
It's a lie!
What did your uncle invest in?
Your inheritance is gone.
Sway
Our crazy uncle invested it all in a stupid business.
Gasp
I cannot help you anymore, Clarissa.
Help me?
Argh!
Clank
Hugh!
Drip

We've come to marry.
But ...
Father.
What's all the commotion?
I wish you happiness, Clarissa.
I have no inheritance.
This was all a waste of time.
Trenton.
Then why did you follow me?
I had some funds left. I could have looked after you.
But that's over I don't want to know you anymore.
A boat that runs on steam. There is no boat. He was conned by a buccaneer.
No...
Since we were children
I loved you.

That was quick.
Y.. Yes
Right, Clarissa?
I, Hugh Richfield, take Clarissa Fortesque as my lawful wedded wife.
Without this trip I would have been lost like I was before.
But you say it was wasted time for you?
It's not a waste. At least, not for me.
You wanted it quick so we came here.
...
I bear Witness to this marriage. This ceremony is complete.
Congratulations.
And she takes me as her husband.
I better go now
Ahem
Can you please read your vows?
Oh, yes!
It wasn't a waste to be here with you.

I.. don't have a family.. Since my parents died
Then this is a great opportunity to set things right!
Just that apology of an uncle and Trenton.
He's probably ashamed of me returning as the only survivor.
You can say that because he is not your brother!
Wonderful! I can visit the house you were born in.
I need to reconcile with my brother one day.
All right.
You've helped me decide not to dwell on the past.
And you're trying to cut off the only brother you have.
Er
Don't expect too much.

Why does everyone want to marry there?
What could we do? There were no rooms in Gretna Green.
We did, too.

I don't know the details.
Hugh can I ask so intrusive question?
When I went to visit, just after the war...
He coldly turned me away.
Did your brother truly use up all of your inheritance?

Heartcastle!?
To my brother's estate!? I told you, never!!
Clank
Clank

Clarissa, this is my brother, the Earl of Heartcastle.
This is Clarissa Forteque.
Hugh! You married!? And to such a lovely lady!!
Pleased to meet you.
How...
Beautiful ...
!!
And who is this lady?
Letter? To me?
Yes.
Hugh!!
She's my wife.
You've arrived so soon! I only sent the letter the day before yesterday.
Refurbishment?
But we have no money
Before I get to the details...
I owe you an apology.
Come in, Clarissa.
It's a bit of a mess with the refurbishment.
Yes, brother.

What did he invest in?
No... Many gentlemen like waging money.
My uncle invested my inheritance badly and I lost it all...
Oh, Clarissa.
I hope I have not put you off. I'm quitting investments from now on.
Did I... make him angry?
...
A steam-engine boat. He was conned by a dream-like idea.
No, you didn't.
Oh...
Clang
Was because I was embarrassed that I used all the money you sent.
The reason I sent you away before...
That's why!?
That's right! My bet paid off!!
Half of the vast amount of money I earned is yours. You sent me the money.
I put your share into your account.
And the ship returned?
Yes.
The ship didn't return for years so I thought all was lost.
I invested all of our money into George Netting's eastern expedition.

Haha ha
Looks like things will go well for her, too.
This must be it!!
This!! This is what Clarissa's uncle invested in!
It's like a dream!!
This is wonderful!!
Hugh, you mustn't use your money like I did.
Especially for her sake.
Now I won't be bankrupt!
Thank goodness.
Following the launching ceremony, the Thames ship safely completed her maiden voyage.
Read page 12.
Slam
This month's issue.
Mining Journal?
They are currently building several new ships.
And the steam-engine ship will undoubtedly become an integral part of England's transport system.
The 1220 km voyage confirmed the reliability of the steam-engine ship.
Unjournal de l'industrie

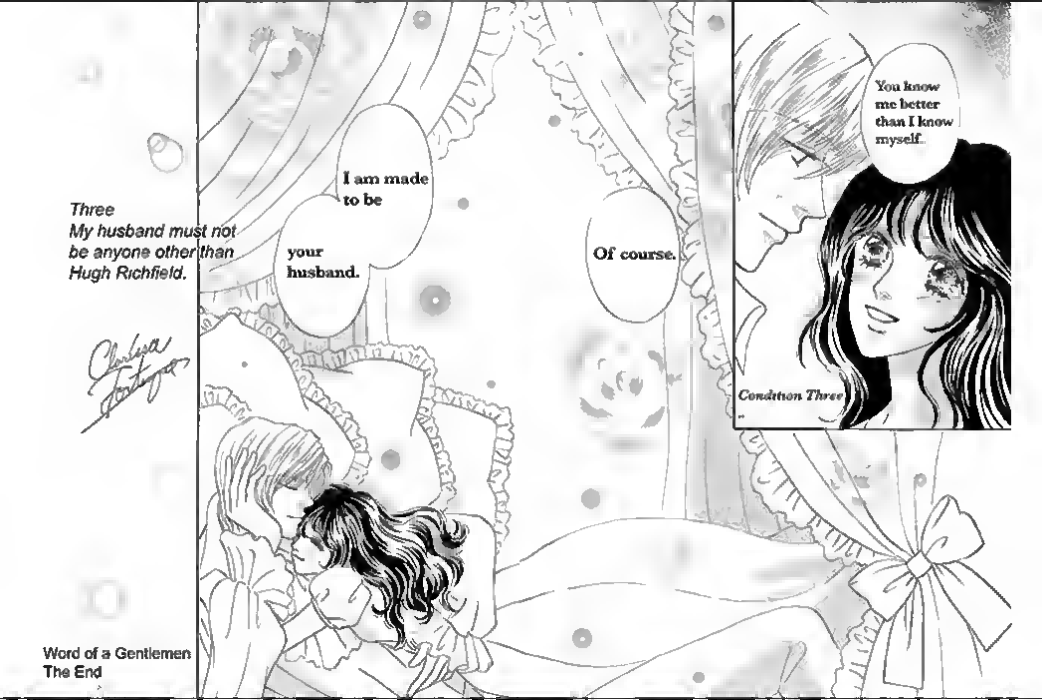
Hugh...
This has been the happiest day of my life.
Now I can pay you the £10,000 I promised you.
£10,000?
But I've left that behind.
I have something I need to protect now.
I actually have a lot of savings stashed away.
Enough for the both of us, at least.
Don't worry. I won't touch the money you made for us.
You earned that from horse races and ducks, am I right?
It's funny how you keep winning when you have nothing to lose.

Conditions for my husband.
One
In return for the £10,000 dowry taken from my inheritance, my husband shall guarantee my freedom.
Two
He must not interfere with my way of life.
Three...
Why?
Huh?
There's only two, actually.
That's the third one?
Hmm.
You don't need those conditions, though.
But you must!
I never intended to accept it.
You don't remember?
Conditions?
I gave you conditions as my husband in return for the £10,000
...
Sorry. Tell me them again?
Our deal won't be upheld, then.

We can invite people from the village and have it in a beautiful little church.
Shall we have another wedding ceremony for my brother, here in Heartcastle?
Let's go wild and say America.
Great! Where would you like to go?
Before that can we go on our honeymoon?
That sounds wonderful! I agree!
Or Asia.
Africa? Jungles would be interesting.
It would be nice to relax here for a while.
... Clarissa.
Clarissa?
I love your personality and way of thinking.
Because I can't possibly tie you down.
Hugh...

OK.
Let's go on adventures together.
We'll do what you want.
It seems...
This journey has awoken the adventurer in you.

Rather than a honeymoon ...
Sounds like you want to go on an adventure.
How did you know?
Since my parents died...
I've lived a life with no freedom. I want to live how I want from now on...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My husband must not be anyone other than Hugh Richfield.
I am made to be your husband.
Of course.
You know me better than I know myself.
Condition Three
Word of a Gentlemen
The End

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